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Form for Evaluating Internet Information Resources

(NOTE: This form is not for evaluating productivity software/sites, simulation games/sites, or educational software/games/sites)

1. **URL of Web page being evaluated:** *http://www.drugabuse.gov/*
 2. **Primary use (students, teacher, parent, other,...):** *All*
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Questions 3-9 are about the site that is hosting your page.

3. **Truncate the URL of the Web page. What is the domain name of the Web site?** *.gov*
 4. **What is the name of Web site?** *National Institute on Drug Abuse*
 5. **What is the purpose or goal of this Web site?** *The science of drug abuse and addiction.*
 6. **What organization or individual created this site?** *National Institute of Health*
 7. **Do they have affiliations that might create a built-in bias toward the information? (Note: every site does, you just have to be aware of what that bias is and be prepared to defend it or present information from other viewpoints.)** *Government website so not too corrupted by companies.*
 8. **What other types of organizations link to this site? (Using the Google search engine, type *link:* and the Web site address (example: *link:www.website.com*))** *Stanford.edu, molecularneurodegeneration.com, addictions.com. Some of these sites are good, while others seem to be using the research to promote their product.*
 9. **Is there a way to provide feedback on the Web site and create an exchange with the author or Web site manager?** *They do provide a contact page that allows you to fill out a form to contact the NIDA webmaster.*
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Questions 10-12 are about the specific page that has information for your project/unit:

10. **Who is the author of the page and does that person have valid credentials to present this information (the creator of the site is not always the author of a page within the site)?** *No individual credit is given or claimed, so I assume the credit goes to the National Institute of Drug Abuse*
 11. **What other references are cited for the information presented?** *National Library of Medicine, healthfinder.gov*
 12. **How old is the material on the page? Is it current or outdated (copyright year is not the same as the last update)?** *April 2013*
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Final evaluation questions:

- 13. Are there ads linked to the page or the site that might make this page inappropriate for your audience? Are the ads “sticky” or static? If there are no ads, how is this Web site paid for (where do they get their money)?** *No inappropriate ads, government funded.*
- 14. Is there other content on the site that appears affiliated with the information you’ve selected that might make this page inappropriate (a Web site with great tutorials on how to make good movies with sections on how to make a documentary, a biography, an infomercial, etc. might also have a tutorial on making an inappropriate movie)?** *Nope, all material on site is appropriate.*
- 15. Reviewing your answers above, is this a good page/site to use for your project/unit? Why or why not? (NOTE: Some questions above may not apply to your page; there is no rule as to how many “correct” answers are needed for a page to be good or what constitutes a “bad” page. You just need to be able to justify your choices and the information above can provide good support.)** *This is a great website to use. The information is factual and not swayed by money. There is very little chance any new information or changes made to the website will include inappropriate material.*